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**METHOD AND APPARATUS  
TO MONITOR LOADING USING VIBRATION**

previously "Systems To Monitor And Accelerate  
Electrochemically Induced Fusion Reactions"

This is a continuation of: Serial no, 07/ 371,937 [filed: 06/27/89]

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

December 28, 2000

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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FOR: **METHOD AND APPARATUS TO MONITOR  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION**

**Box CPA [or Continuation]**

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To Whom it does Concern:

Pursuant to Rule 53 [and to any other Rule as might be required due to changes in Rules and Laws made], would you please file a continuation of the above pending complete application filed June 27, 1989.

This Continuation application is being actually filed in the PTO or express mailed during the pendency of the above application. It should be a Continuation of the above application.

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Enclosed are:

- 1) A Preliminary Amendment, which is the previous Amendment Under Rule 116 in the parent application. The previous claims were from 25 to 43. These claims begin at 44.
- 2) The title has been revised to more accurately reflect these particular claims, after removal of the Divisional Application [Serial no. 09/568,728, Filed: 05/11/2000] There has been no new matter added.
- 3) 5 Sheets of drawing - Please use the drawings of the above application, but duplicate drawings are enclosed.
- 4) Patent Disclosure, including Abstract of the Disclosure - Please use the attached specification (including the claims and abstract) of the above application modified as follows by changes which add no new matter. A copy of the Original Specification from 1989 is included. The original specification has been retyped to include Greek symbols which were not available to Applicant in 1989. Deleted in this duplicate copy of the original specification are those sections associated with, and covered by, the Divisional Application [Serial no. 09/568,728, Filed: 05/11/2000].
- 5) A Declaration and Petition as the last page thereof.
- 6) A check in the amount of \$355.00 to cover the Continuation fee. After entry of these Amendments (pursuant to Rule 116 if required) there will be not more than 3 independent claims and 20 total claims.
- 7) A Verified Statement claiming Small Entity status - A small entity declaration was enclosed for the above application, and a new supplemental declaration, if required, is also enclosed.
- 8) A self-addressed stamped postcard to indicate receipt of said Patent Disclosure.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
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